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Fireworks rules up for review

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Staff Reporter

Dysart et al council is looking to crack down on the use of fireworks in the municipality, with one member musing about an all-out ban on the items.

Councillors discussed fireworks during a Feb. 26 council meeting and are instructing the municipality's bylaw officer to undertake a review of Dysart's noise bylaw.

"With all I've heard around the table, particularly concerning fireworks and short-term rentals and all these different things, I would think it would be timely to have [bylaw enforcement officer] Kristin [Boylan] do a review of the noise bylaw in general," said Mayor Andrea Roberts.

Currently, the only restriction on fireworks in the municipality's noise bylaw is that they not be set off between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 p.m. Other townships have stricter rules around the use of the fireworks, such as restricting them to certain statutory holidays, etc.

"Some municipalities have special events permits, and it would be something they apply for, and have a fee attached," Boylan said.

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Musical folk

Cecile Doo Kingue, centre, smiles while on stage with Treasa Levasseur and Lori Yates (out of frame) for a March 2 concert at the 2019 annual Winter Folk Camp held at Camp Wanakita in Haliburton from March 1 to 4. Winter Folk Camp brings instructors, performers, music workshops, concerts, song circles and jam sessions to a weekend of musical community. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

Dealing with for-profit events at Head Lake Park

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Dysart et al council will be looking at the township's fee structure, with an eye to what the organizers of for-profit events at Head Lake Park should be paying to the municipality.

Councillors discussed the matter during a Feb. 26 meeting, as a report regarding the return of Haliburton RibFest to Head Lake Park came to the council table.

RibFest took place for the first time last summer and was a popular draw, attracting about 5,600 people to the park between Aug. 24 and 26. It is scheduled to return this year from Aug. 9 to 11, but as Councillor Larry Clarke told his colleagues, the municipality's events and recreation committee would like to see the municipality realize more revenue from such a large and popular event.

Last year, the organizer gave the municipality a \$2,500 donation from gate proceeds toward its new skateboard park.

The company would also like to grow RibFest with more vendors into an event that might attract as many as 10,000 people. While in 2018 there were two rib vendors and about 10 non-food vendors, the plan for 2019 is to have three rib vendors and as many as 20 non-food vendors.

Along with the municipality getting a bigger slice of the financial pie, Clarke said there are other concerns.

"Our concern is we already have issues

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Allowing snowmobiles on Highland Street

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Dysart et al councillors will look at allowing snowmobilers to drive down Highland Street.

The issues of snowmobilers driving on sidewalks in Haliburton Village came up during a Feb. 26 council meeting.

There is a designated parking area for snowmobilers in Head Lake Park near the Rails End Gallery where they are to park their machines while visiting the village. However, some do not abide by this regulation.

"The other day, literally there was five of them and I caught them on either side coming up by the CIBC, and they were driving on both sides of the sidewalk," bylaw enforcement officer Kristin Boylan told councillors.

"We're certainly not trying to deter the snowmobiles, but we need them to be in an area where we can confine them, for safety reasons," Boylan said.

"And also the property damage," said Mayor Andrea Roberts, referring to the wear and tear snowmobiles can cause on sidewalks.

While snowmobiles are currently not permitted to drive along the village's main street, "we do have the right to change that," said Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy, suggesting this was something the municipality should look at.

"Ticket the heck out of them on the sidewalks," Kennedy said.

A previous council had decided to prohibit snowmobilers from driving down the main drag.

A draft bylaw will come back to the council table for consideration.

Snowmobiles are lined up in a row in the designated parking space in Head Lake Park on Friday afternoon in Haliburton. While this is where the municipality wants snowmobilers to park, not everyone has been following the rules. Council is considering allowing them to drive on main street.
/JENN WATT
Staff



Huskies removed from Highlands East property

JENN WATT

Editor

Twenty huskies are in foster locations following a visit by police to a Highlands East property.

Haliburton Highlands OPP had been on the property on Friday, Feb. 22 on an unrelated matter when they noticed the dogs, which "appeared to be in poor condition and needing some assistance." They took photos of the dogs while they were there, according to a press release from Bancroft OPP.

The Bancroft OPP got involved the following day when they received a call about trespassing on a Dyno Road property.

"The complainant advised that there were individuals that had been walking on his property," the press release says. "Bancroft officers attended and spoke with officers of the Haliburton Highlands OPP who were lawfully on the property the day before serving a court process on an individual for an unrelated matter."

On Saturday, police located the huskies, which were tied to dog houses and determined that the owner was getting help from the Siberian Husky Assistance and Rescue Program, or SHARP. The Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was also contacted.

A SHARP spokesperson confirmed that they helped with the dogs.

"The dogs were retrieved from one private property at the request of the local OPP," reads an email from SHARP.

"We fortunately had some local help moving dogs out to foster locations. The dogs are now all under SHARP's care and all are doing well and getting vet inspections."

There is a GoFundMe page set up to assist with the work done by the rescue organization: <https://www.gofundme.com/u9v8x82k>.

The OSPCA confirmed that they are aware of the incident and are assisting police.

"We would like to assure the public that steps are being taken to get these dogs the care they require," said Melissa Kosowan, communications representative for OSPCA.

Bancroft OPP say the dogs will be up for adoption to good homes.

The investigation is ongoing and no charges have been laid.

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HHHS addresses questions about Highland Wood roof leak

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

A Feb. 20 meeting for family members of Highland Wood residents who were relocated from the long-term care home in Haliburton in early February due to a leaky roof provided information about the unexpected situation from Haliburton Highlands Health Services senior leadership and board members, as well as members of the Central East Local Health Integration Network, who were in attendance by teleconference.

According to a summary provided to media by HHHS on Feb. 25, Carolyn Plummer, HHHS president and CEO, thanked the attending family members for their support and co-operation during the weeks following the discovery of the roof leak on Feb. 5 due to significant ice and snow that had built up and begun to melt.

Outside experts determined on Feb. 6 that residents should be relocated to other long-term care homes or back into the community with enhanced home and community care supports until the roof could be repaired.

At the family meeting, Plummer said the displaced residents would have priority to be relocated back to the Haliburton-based facility when it is reopened.

Plummer told what was described as a well-attended meeting that with the residents safely relocated, HHHS's priority is focusing on addressing the current roof conditions.

The area hospitals and long-term care homes, including the roof, had been assessed by experts in 2017 and were scheduled to be "proactively" replaced within a 2018 – 2021 time frame, according to Plummer's report.

A tender to replace both Hyland Crest and Highland Wood's roofs was issued in May 2018, and awarded in June that year. Hyland Crest's roof was completed in September of 2018.

Weather conditions resulted in a plan for Highland Wood's roof replacement to be rescheduled to spring 2019. Weather conditions were also reported to have caused the excessive build-up of ice on the roof resulting in the significant leaks and subsequent evacuation.

"A preliminary report from our insurer's roof inspector states that the early failure of the roof occurred suddenly without warning," reads Plummer's summary. "The report highlights that there were no ongoing signs of water infiltration or roof leaks, there are no signs of early failure or ongoing water seepage below the roof deck. There are no signs of previous water infiltration and/or corrosion of the steel decking."

Additionally, she said, "We are conducting our own internal investigation to determine if staff had documented any earlier report of leaks or challenges with the roof and welcome the opinion of the inspector that the HHHS team has been proactive, in terms of meeting the needs of the overall roof replacement plan and that this incident was unpredictable and occurred suddenly without warning."

The HHHS team is continuing to work on removing recurring ice build-up so further inspections can occur. A timeline for work to be done as well as a reopening of the facility has not yet been released.

HHHS will be forwarding resident mail to their temporary homes, and families can temporarily suspend or relocate phone and cable services to temporary homes, with HHHS covering any costs associated with the suspension or relocation of services.

In a frequently asked questions document, HHHS is said to be working collaboratively with unions to develop a manpower plan for Highland Wood staff.

"HHHS is working in collaboration with the unions to develop a health human resources plan, and we are looking for ways to temporarily redeploy staff to other parts of the organization to avoid layoffs," reads the summary. "This will also be a time for staff to participate in education and development opportunities."

During the family meeting, it was asked if the roof tender process could be expedited, with work proceeding and without having to go back to tender.

"Although the tender was previously awarded, it was not based on work being done in the winter," reads the response. "This requires a different set of specifications; HHHS is working with the insurers to establish the new specifications, and is expediting the process wherever possible."

It was asked if a funding source for roof replacement had been available.

"HHHS planned to move ahead with roof replacement based on the assessment results, regardless of funding

sources," was the response. "An application was submitted for the Exceptional Circumstances Program through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, however it was later found that this funding applied only to hospitals and did not cover long-term care facilities."

HHHS will pay for the roof repair, with the insurance company paying for unpredictable damage from leaks.

"In the meantime, the facility has been kept very dry to prevent further damages, and is being monitored 24/7," reads the meeting summary.

HHHS has a minimal reserve fund, and when asked how the community could help, welcomed interested supporters to contact the HHHS Foundation at 705-457-1580 or by email at foundation@hhhs.ca.

HHHS is offering free transportation for families of Highland Wood residents for visits. Anyone wishing to use this service should contact Community Support Services at 705-457-2941, extension 2925. Counselling services for families is available through Homewood Health at 1-800-663-1142. Families who have incurred expenses due to commuting for visits can discuss with HHHS what support might be available.

The HHHS website has a section dedicated to Highland Wood updates, available at www.hhhs.ca/news-announcements/highland-wood-updates as well as a hotline available at 705-457-1392, extension 2400.

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Smith floats idea of fireworks ban

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Councillor John Smith said he planned to have a conversation at the municipality's environment committee about the possibility of disallowing fireworks altogether.

"I'd like to have a discussion at the environment committee about the appropriateness of allowing fireworks," Smith said. "It's not just a noise issue. Frankly, and in particular the ones that are sold here in Ontario, are made in China, they're polluting our air, they're putting pollutants in our water that shouldn't be there, impacting wildlife, and, you know, other municipalities have taken a much stronger position. It's not just because of the noise."

As far as sacrifices human beings are willing to make to mitigate the damage they're causing to the planet, "if we're not prepared to sacrifice the moments of pleasure from watching this and hearing the noise, I don't know what mankind is prepared to do," Smith said.

Boylan will conduct a review of the noise bylaw. Any regulation banning fireworks would require the creation of a separate bylaw.

Reporting what's real in the era of fake news

Journalist Robert Fisher to speak in Haliburton next week

JENN WATT
Editor

Robert Fisher has been embracing the rural life since retiring from his decades-long career in television and radio journalism, getting used to power outages, learning to use a chainsaw and donning his orange tuque when hunting season rolls around.

It's been a change for Fisher, who is best known for his work with CBC Radio and TV as well as Global Television, where he has reported and provided analysis on provincial politics since the 1980s.

After spending most of his career living in downtown Toronto, he now resides in the country south of Ottawa, and said meeting residents there has given him new political insights not necessarily found in the city.

"It's interesting, for me, when I was still on a regular basis commenting on politics for CBC, it was good to get a sounding from people at the real grassroots: people who would be considered very supportive of [Conservative leader] Doug Ford and not so supportive of [then Liberal premier] Kathleen Wynne," he said in an interview over the phone last week. "It gave me a good sense, going into the last election, where a lot of folks are coming from. It was kind of my own polling. What did you overhear in Tim Hortons that might be relevant to a political discussion about the future of the Liberal government?"

He could tell people were done with the Liberals and looking for change, which

played out in June when Doug Ford's Conservatives trounced the Liberals, earning a majority.

Fisher has been watching the ebbs and flows of provincial politics since Bill Davis was premier. Now in his retirement, he has time for other endeavours, like visiting Haliburton to give a speech about how the media reports on Queen's Park in the era of so-called "fake news."

His talk, called *Trumping the Media: The Two Sides of Fake News* from Davis to Ford, takes place Wednesday, March 13 at the fish hatchery in Haliburton as part of the Yours Outdoors speaker series.

A shift is underway, hastened by new technology, that calls into question journalism as an institution. While the term "fake news" is most frequently bandied about by U.S. President Donald Trump, there is movement in Ontario as well to circumvent the media, taking the unfiltered political message directly to voters.

"If my political reporting goes back to 1981, it by far predates the term fake news," Fisher said. There was always political spin, and certainly disagreement over whether reporters were being fair, but the current level of animosity is new.

"The questioning of the media today is more prevalent than it ever was when I started my political reporting. ... No one was ever suggesting what I was doing, in my case out of Queen's Park, was fake news," he said.

Fisher covered eight premiers from Bill Davis to Kathleen Wynne. He said his relationship with each was not always warm, but that there was a mutual respect.



Veteran CBC and Global TV journalist Robert Fisher will be speaking in Haliburton on Wednesday, March 13 at the fish hatchery. His talk, *Trumping the Media: The Two Sides of Fake News* from Davis to Ford, is part of the Telling Our Stories speaker series. Admission is \$10 per person. Go to yoursoutdoors.ca for more details or call 705-754-3436. /Photo courtesy of Robert Fisher

"Now there's, in my view, open warfare between many politicians and many reporters," he said.

He remarked at the current Conservative government's online news-style operation called Ontario News Now, which presents clips that look like they were created by journalists. However, their purpose is to get a highly political message directly to voters, without the filter and critical eye of a reporter.

"It is a political way of getting a message out that tries to circumvent the media," he said.

Fisher started his career in radio working at a station in Oakville in 1967. In 1970, he was hired by CJAD in Montreal, where he was given the opportunity to tackle major stories including the FLQ's kidnapping of diplomat James Cross and the kidnapping and murder of Quebec's labour minister Pierre Laporte. He joined CBC Television in the 1980s as their Queen's Park reporter, before moving to Global TV in 1988 where he hosted Focus Ontario for years. Fisher later returned to CBC Radio where he anchored the afternoon news on Toronto's CBC Radio One and appeared on television as a provincial political analyst. He has a master's degree in journalism from Carleton University and has taught at Centennial College and Ryerson University.

Despite the rising temperature of today's politics, Fisher doesn't gloss over the uglier points of earlier eras.

While last week MPPs took issue with the Conservatives about expensive plans for Premier Doug Ford's new van, Fisher remembers a similar scenario a few decades back.

"Back in the '80s, the government of Ontario bought a jet and it was initially I guess to get the premier around, Mr. Davis, flying around. And one of the luxury items they had on this little small jet was a leather-covered toilet seat. It was like a huge issue," he said. The government ended up telling the public the plane was to become an air ambulance.

There have also been times when Fisher received death threats and harassment.

"I suppose the lowest point for me as a reporter would have been back to 1999, when people took great umbrage to a question I had for [then Liberal leader] Dalton McGuinty in the leaders debate in that election campaign. At the time, the Conservatives were running an ad that had a picture of McGuinty on it and lots of question marks behind him and it was referred to as the Riddler Ad, like who is this guy, what does he stand for?" he recalls. "I asked [McGuinty] if he was ready for prime time based on some of the things that he had said leading up to the election campaign, or done. He didn't have an answer for me. Their famous

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When I was appointed bureau chief for CBC Television at Queen's Park ... I got a dream job.

— Robert Fisher

response, of course, from McGuinty was 'thank you for the question, Robert.'"

Fisher said he could tell right away that McGuinty was surprised, and angered, by the question. Soon after, his phone number was circulated to political agitators who started calling his home.

"The phone calls that were coming in were very nasty. And that's fine for me. I'm the adult. I'm the guy who asked the question. ... At the time, the calls that were coming to my home were often answered by my children or my wife and that was very upsetting. It was such an invasion," he said.

His relationship with premier Dalton McGuinty was "up and down," he said.

"His office actually organized a luncheon after that campaign to kind of smooth things over and I said to them, yes, I would go to a luncheon with Mr. McGuinty on the understanding that the utensils were all plastic," Fisher laughed.

He attended the luncheon and indeed there were plastic knives and forks at the table.

Even taking into account the more difficult times, Fisher said without hesitation he would do it all again.

"For me, when I was appointed bureau chief for CBC Television at Queen's Park, I considered then and still do to this day, I got a dream job. It was an amazing experience," he said, recalling the energy of walking into the building every day, the chance to travel the province and talk to interesting people.

"I consider myself a pretty lucky guy to have had that opportunity. And quite frankly, still miss it. I think there's something very special about covering politics in that particular place."

You can hear more about Fisher's experience covering provincial politics on Wednesday, March 13 at 7 p.m. at the HHOA Fish Hatchery at 6712 Gelert Rd. in Haliburton. Tickets are \$10 each and you can reserve yours by going to www.yoursoutdoors.ca or by calling 705-754-3436 or 705-457-7557.

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Virtual reality brings Haliburton sled dogs to hospitals

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

Terminally ill and long-term patients at SickKids can now travel to Haliburton and race down a wintry trail while being pulled by a Winterdance dogsled team, without even leaving their hospital room.

Wishplay is a Toronto-based non-profit organization that hears wishes from both kids and adults who are isolated in hospitals or hospice centres, and then creates a video that when viewed through a pair of virtual reality glasses, creates a feeling to the viewer that they are experiencing the scene in real-life. Videos have so far captured adventures and events including the lighting of the Christmas tree in Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto's Santa Claus parade, and a trek to Machu Picchu.

This past January, Wishplay's founder, David Parker, travelled to Haliburton to capture a dogsledding adventure for a patient who longed to have such an experience.

"I sort of looked around and I came across Winterdance, their website, and saw how they positioned themselves, how they treat the dogs, how professional they were," said Parker, of how he came to be in Haliburton. "There were so many things I didn't know about dogsledding that I learned just from their website. They seemed to be the right people."

Ironically, Tanya McCready-DeBruin, who co-owns Winterdance Dogsled Tours with Hank DeBruin, had that same week been looking into bringing a group of SickKids patients to the duo's property to help brighten the kids' lives, a trip that would be logistically tricky due to the conditions some kids were living with, when Parker called.

"They were responsive right away," said Parker. "She asked, did you get my number from somebody, and I said 'no, this is completely out of the blue.'"

"The timeline was within a couple of days that made it kind of creepy," he laughed.

Parker brought his wife, six-year-old and 10-year-old to the Winterdance property, and set up to record a tour with the dog team. His girls have been featured in some of the videos, including the Winterdance experience.

"The kids – and the adults – respond much better when kids are the focus," said Parker.

On a day in which the windchill was causing the air temperature to drop to minus 45, Parker and his family filmed a two-hour trip with the dogs.

"We truly got to experience the Canadian winter," he said. "It was magical."

The dogsledding video worked out well, and has already been shown to some patients ahead of its March Break launch.

"It was the perfect thing to film, the time of day, the sun was not blaring down, the landscape was perfect, the lighting, you're not going too fast so you're able to capture everything, and see everything," said Parker. "It really feels like you're there, and doing it, when you use virtual reality."

The patients have appreciated the chance to see the world around them.

"They've just responded so well to it," he said. "I think that when you're in a hospital bed or you're having to be in that type of environment ... anything to be able to escape and feel like you're not in a hospital."

Some patients have requested a trip to Tokyo, while some wish to simply experience school again, as their illness or treatment leaves their immunity weakened and unable to visit public spaces. A Halloween video was filmed days before Oct. 31, with a Toronto neighbourhood deco-



A Winterdance dogsled team is bringing joy to patients at Toronto-area hospitals who are living in medical isolation, through a virtual reality experience filmed and created by Wishplay, a non-profit organization that collects video footage for patients to view from their hospital and hospice rooms. /Photo submitted by DAVID PARKER

rating houses and dressing up early to recreate a trick or treating scene so that on the actual holiday, patients could participate in the festivities through virtual reality.

"Something like [dogsledding], it's so foreign," said Parker. "It's not in the city, but the majestic forest and lakes. It was freezing cold so the snow was just glistening. It was just gorgeous, and then the dogs are barking and yipping ... This sort of brings it more to life and gives [isolated patients] that feeling of being able to be normal again, to do those things they normally can't do. This is kind of extra special because it's not just something that makes them feel normal, but it makes them feel special because a lot of people haven't done [this]."

He said the journey made him think of his own 45-minute commute from the city, "whereas if you do this for an hour you're out in nature, seeing wildlife, seeing the dogs pulling the sled, and it just kind of puts things into perspective sometimes."

McCready-DeBruin said the Winterdance team was thrilled to participate in the experience.

"The joy that we see that the dogs bring people, it doesn't matter who comes with us, the dogs bring us so much joy, they bring people so much joy," she said. "To get to share that with people who are facing really big challenges, just seems like we're giving a small bit back because most of them can't easily come and join us."

Winterdance has also been involved in commercials shot in Toronto, and last year, the area and the Winterdance sled dogs set the scene for a music video featuring a Bollywood star. Numerous times throughout the year, McCready-DeBruin said the couple are grateful for who they've been able to meet and share the dogsled experience with in the 20 years they've been in operation, including just in the past year a paraplegic teenager, an 18-year-old celebrating being cancer-free for 10 years, and a family separated across countries due to medical treatment who reunites every two years, and noted how special the adventure was this past Christmas because it might be their last together. The virtual reality experience is a new one for the Winterdance team.

"It's exciting to get to share what we do with people who don't necessarily come here, and for the dogs to reach people that

may not ever actually get to meet them," she said. "We know how amazing they are and people who meet them know how amazing they are but we can only welcome so many people every year. So to find a way to take that to a bigger scale so people appreciate how incredible these dogs are, it's hard to put into words, it's pretty cool."

Parker said the work he does inspires him but also requires everything to come

together in order for a wish to be fulfilled.

"Sometimes, they pass away before I get to give them a wish," he said of the patients who ask for a film wish. "That's probably the hardest part of the job. There's always that urgency to get these things done as soon as possible."

The Winterdance virtual reality project created by Wishplay will officially launch as a March Break experience in Toronto hospitals this month.

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Blue Haliburton?

AWARENESS OF THE importance of eliminating single-use plastics has been building in Haliburton.

Between conversations at council tables, strategizing among environmental groups and changes made at local businesses, there is a sense that people are taking the issue seriously and are willing to step up.

What will be crucial in the months and years to come is that the wider population support the efforts to change and embrace alternatives to plastic bags, water bottles and take-out containers.

Far from the image many of us have of Canadians dutifully depositing our recyclables in the Blue Box each week, according to Environmental Defence, only 11 per cent of plastics in Canada get recycled. Our major waterways bear the brunt of much of our discarded plastic, with eight million tonnes of plastic dumped in the ocean each year.

"Studies have found that 90 per cent of seabirds have plastic in their guts," Environmental Defence's plastics report reads. "One in three sea turtles and more than half of all whale and dolphin species have eaten plastic."

In the fall, a couple from Bayfield, Ont., came to Haliburton to speak about how their Lake Huron-based community is working toward improving water quality and putting a dent in plastic waste.

Their group, Blue Bayfield, took a grassroots approach, going to church groups, youth organizations, businesses and government, asking them to consider phasing out disposable plastic from their operations. They fundraised and installed five water refill stations around the village and purchased 2,000 reusable water bottles to give out to the public.

Bayfield has also received the Plastic-Free Coastline Community designation from Surfers Against Sewage, which specifies that council endorses the campaign, local businesses remove plastic items, and that the village holds two clean-ups a year.

These are things we in Haliburton can do and are already doing.

The municipality of Dysart et al has planned to install several water stations, and as long as they are not removed from the budget, they would offer a real alternative for people looking to reduce their waste. Fleming College and the high school have built-in water stations and the Rails End Gallery recently purchased a portable unit for events.

The municipality is taking the lead by working to eliminate single-use water bottles in its facilities and among its staff. The lessons they learn along the way will be instructive for other municipalities going forward.

Several businesses have joined in, replacing plastic straws with paper ones, choosing compostable take-out containers or, in the case of the farmers' market, loaning out plates or cups and asking people to bring them back.

And Environment Haliburton has been educating the public, hosting speakers and brainstorming sessions. There's no doubt we've got momentum happening.

The task now is to spread the word. Blue Bayfield's success has come from presenting alternatives, educating the public, and conducting a strong, positive educational campaign to get people on board.

Haliburton can easily do the same. Need some motivation? Ray Leth-eren of Blue Bayfield is speaking at the U-Links Celebration of Research on Saturday, March 23 at the Minden Hills Community Centre. The event is from 1 to 4 p.m.



jenn watt

Editorial

Tales from
the great



lynda shadbolt

Green meadow

The Bullet Journal

WHEN MY DAUGHTER was born I began keeping a family journal that was about our everyday life. Art, or pieces of art were glued in. Short stories of our days were recorded. As soon as Madeline could hold a pen or crayon she contributed in her own way. I never had any expectations of what we did, but the journals were always out and available with a mug of colourful crayons, some scissors and a glue stick.

There were no rules or expectations. We took journals on every vacation or adventure we went on, and her friends and people she met contributed as well. I never expected Madeline to write anything, except on two occasions.

One was when my mother, Madeline and I went to Vancouver to visit my sister when Madeline was in Grade 2. I asked her to write, in a special journal for that trip, thinking that someday it would be fun to look back on the trip. And she does that now. We laugh our heads off when she pulls out the journal and we look at the pictures she drew and the stories she told. Her grandmother, aunt and cousin wrote in it as well and that makes it an extra special keepsake.

The second time was when she and I went to Europe with Julie Barban and a group of girls from Heritage Ballet. Madeline kept a "diary" and collected postcards and ticket stubs. It is great to look back on that diary and remind her of all the great dance and exploring adventures we had.

But like all things, eventually Madeline and I stopped keeping the family journals and we moved onto other creative projects. We both kept being creative, and writing but in our own private ways. I love those family journals and will always treasure them and will always enjoy pulling them out and

looking back at all of adventures.

I think there is something very powerful about writing and drawing every day and especially using your hands. It is relaxing and calming. It was a wonderful and easy way to connect with my daughter for many years.

A few weeks ago Madeline introduced me to "Bullet Journals." She purchased one for herself and one for me. Like many things these days, someone has taken an old or used idea and organized it and presented in a way that is fresh, appealing and easy to use.

On their website the creator says "meet the analog method for the digital age that will help you track the past, order the present, and design your future."

The Bullet Journal (and there is a book to coach you through how to use it if you want that) is a book that doesn't have lines. It has faint dots on each page making it easy to make lists and organize details, but also to be creative. The journals we used for all of our years had

blank pages. There are obviously many kinds of journals!

On YouTube there are multiple videos of young people who are sharing how they use the Bullet Journal to organize themselves in a creative way. My daughter is heading off to university and so she has been spending time organizing herself and setting up a creative outlet for herself when she moves away from home. I am thinking it will be her way of recording her new life that she will be embarking on.

I'm using the journal to organize and reflect on what I want to do with my time and work and life as my daughter moves out and my life with Jim evolves into something new. It is a great way to move through transitions. Whatever kind of book you use, journaling is a great tool.



Squirrel

by Darren Lum

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points of view

Going Bananas

IT BEGAN, AS ALL of my columns do, with me trying to solve one of the great mysteries of life.

"Have you seen the bananas?" I asked Jenn

The answer was clearly critical because when I was a kid, if a bunch of bananas went suddenly missing it was either because one of your friends stole a monkey from the zoo or, worse still, someone had placed banana peels on some patch of nearby linoleum so they could enjoy seeing the height of physical comedy – an unsuspecting man slipping on a banana peel and breaking his tail bone.

God, I miss those simpler times.

Thankfully, before I could get too sentimental Jenn provided an answer.

"They are in the paper bags on the kitchen table."

Like any man-child of my generation, I was both elated and saddened by that. The disappointment came with the realization that I might never own a pet monkey. On the other hand, I was relieved that my tail bone might make it through another day undamaged.

Sadly, Jenn mistook the look on my face for an invitation to explain why she had placed four bananas in a paper bag.

Apparently, the bananas, which we had only purchased the day before, were not ripening quickly enough. So she used the internet for its intended purpose. She Googled, "How do you ripen bananas?"

This explains why four of our bananas were placed in a brown paper bag – just like booze.

Apparently, placing them in the confines of a paper bag was

supposed to help the ripening process – again, just like booze.

Seeing how I did not have the credentials to argue with advanced internet-based science, I merely nodded my head – and Jenn took this to mean that I understood and agreed upon the strategy for banana ripening that was now in place in our house.

I would have too, had she not added an element of science and education to the whole ordeal. You see, Jenn, ever the intellectual and critical thinker placed four bananas in paper bags and left two outside of bags, buried in the fruit bowl.

"Those one's outside the bag are for comparison," she said with cold, clinical detachment.

If you ask me, it was a cruel experiment.

If it worked, the two bananas that were left out of the bag would remain young and be forced to watch in horror as their siblings grew unnaturally old before their time.

Frankly, it was diabolical and I wanted no part of it. Yet, I was also extremely curious to see if it would really happen. For if it did, I would never sleep under the blankets again.

Even as I write this, I am conflicted.

Jenn's horrible experiment is happening in our kitchen, which is only a few steps from my office. Therefore, I have the power to set those bananas free and place them back in the bag just a few minutes before Jenn arrives home.

At the very least, I could rotate them so that all the bananas age equally.

Then again, who am I to play God?

For the record, let me just say, this is the kind of problematic moral dilemma you run up against when you have a vivid imagination and entirely too much time on your hands.

You know, I bet a pet monkey would change all that ...



steve
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Loon Tales



pic of the past

This week's pic of the past shows the main street in Haliburton in 1920. You can't help but notice the tall building in the picture, which was known as the Lucas Hotel at the time. V&S department store is now on that site. Readers will notice many changes, from the dirt roads and lampposts to the old buildings long since gone. One thing has stayed the same: the crest of a hill on the horizon.

letters to the editor

Gallery offers opportunities

To the Editor,

I'm writing in regard to the Dysart Feb. 14 council budget meeting, in particular to address comments by Councillor John Smith as he questions the value of funding institutions such as the Rails End Gallery.

The gallery has been one of the focal points of the Haliburton people. For decades it has hosted a multitude of events, displays, and programs that have helped bind and solidify the community as a whole. It is part of Haliburton's soul. When you think of Haliburton, one of the images that comes to mind is the gallery itself.

That's why I'm writing this. I'm concerned about John's short-sighted agenda. He seems to be riveted to improving his world and not improving the community as a whole. Roads to his residence are always a concern, and every year wear and tear create infuriating maintenance issues for him.

I do admire John's tenacity. But he has an inadequate understanding of small town communities such as Haliburton. And that is, you need good institutions and facilities. These cost money. Are they important? Yes. Do we need to support

them? Yes we do.

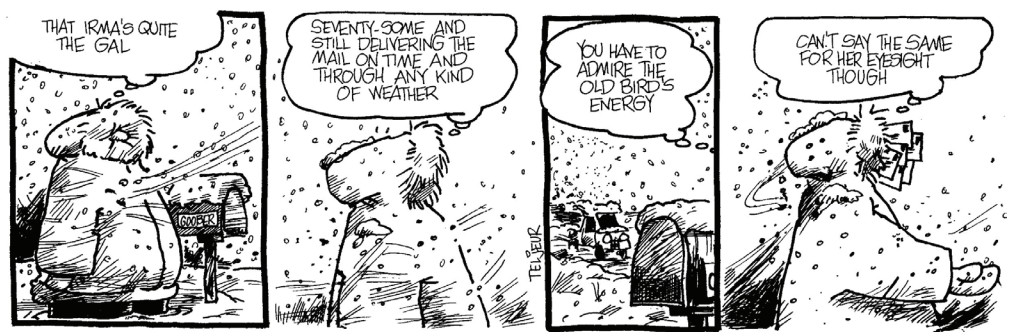
Community identity is important to a small town such as Haliburton. This identity is tied up in pride, caring, of a sense of belonging, culture and regional history. The kind that's part of the pioneering spirit that still exists in Haliburton. That sense of knowing everyone and knowing that everyone knows you. That's why the old train station was fixed up and converted into a gallery in the first place. It then became a community venue, a place for developing young minds and place for gathering – and a lot of pride went into that.

Now what's the rationale, the objective if you like, of Dysart owning some of these properties? Simply put, they provide cultural value and purpose to a small community.

Think of my story, for example: I grew up a deaf kid in Haliburton before the doctors eventually fixed my hearing. Art was something that I was naturally good at and I could do well while I caught up to my peers in other subjects. I entered and won local art scholarships, and I gained pride, confidence and a sense of purpose when my art

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BOONIEVILLE



Institutions foster personal growth

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was displayed to the public in the Rails End Gallery. I gained experience there as a summer employee, then, thinking all that was pretty darned cool, I went to art college.

You see, I'm one of the beneficiaries of the Rails End Gallery's existence, and programs housed and implemented by the staff and volunteers there.

The result?

The Rails End Gallery helped provide a foundation for my life. It helped with my development, my sense of self, and it was encouraging. The displays there by community artists helped me learn to be a better artist, a pretty good photographer, and a better person.

Eventually all this led to a rich career in art as a concept artist, designer and art director at companies such as Electronic Arts, Nintendo, DHX, SEGA, Real Networks, and SONY.

You see, with proper encouragement when we're young, people like me go out into the world to do some pretty cool things, but they also tend to return to enrich Haliburton both practically and by example – to help the next generation of Haliburton kids!

So these longstanding Haliburton institutions add immense value to the local community, a fact that cannot be overstated!

Me? I'm now a designer at Microsoft.

The funny thing is, after John boots-up his computer he'll likely be using some of the interface designs, photographs and movies that I created.

Isn't that something...

David Chambers
Redmond, Washington



This fox seems to be weathering our long winter well, with his bright coat shining through the snowflakes. /Photo by BELINDA GALLAGHER

Nominees announced for Chamber of Commerce awards

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce announced this year's nominees for the Business and Community Achievement Awards on March 1. They received 127 nominations from across Haliburton County. Winners will be revealed at the annual awards gala on March 30 at Pinestone Resort.

The nominees:

Business Achievement

Above Board Carpentry, Bark Lake Leadership & Conference Centre, Haliburton Solar & Wind, Bank of Montreal – Haliburton, IJES Camera Support Systems, Yummy Mummy Emporium and Apothecary

Customer First – Business

Parish & Strano, Re/Max North Country Realty Inc. Brokerage, Bank of Montreal – Haliburton, Cottage Care Rentals, I Love Your Dog, Haliburton Driving Range, Haliburton Solar & Wind, Hilary Morrin, Engel & Völkers Real Estate, Hodgkinson Enterprises, Minden Animal Hospital, Needful Things, Pretty Paws Pet Boutique and Spa, Walker's Home Hardware, Wintergreen Maple Products

Customer First – Employee

Angelika Walter – Aprons & Soaps, Donna McCalum – Abbey Retreat Centre, Kasara McKay – Boshkung Brewing Company, Morgan Fisher – Minden Animal Hospital, Renee Griffith – Bonnieview Inn, Shani Hurd – Cordell Carpet, Shay Hutchings – Haliburton County Chiropractic & Rehabilitation, Shontel Neville – Heat-Line Freeze Protection Systems, Tammy Warburton – Highland Glass & Windows, Tracey Morrison – Kosy Korner, Trista Greer – Shopper's Drug Mart

Entrepreneur of the Year

Graham Borgdorff – Above Board Carpentry, Morgan Burke – The Birds and the Bees, Brandi Hewson – WAI Products, Brian Nash – Haliburton Solar & Wind, Steve Stewart – Minden Electric, Generator Solutions, Paul Roy – Upriver Trading Company, Amanda Vollmer – Yummy Mummy Emporium and Apothecary

Highlander of the Year

Brad Park, David Zilstra, Rick Lowes, Steve Todd

Innovation & Creativity

Abbey Gardens, The Birds and the Bees, Cottage Care Rentals, Haliburton Solar & Wind

New Business

Haliburton County Chiropractic and Rehabilitation, HaliHammock, Hunters Edge, Mega Munch, Russell Red Records, TheOccurrence

Not-for-Profit of the Year

Compass Early Learning and Care, Rotary Club of Haliburton, Haliburton County Home Builders' Association, Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, Pregnancy Care & Family Support Centre, Haliburton County Red Wolves

Skilled Trades & Industry

Above Board Carpentry, Brown & Co., Churko Electric, Haliburton Solar & Wind, Hodgkinson Enterprises, IJES Camera Support Systems, Jones Mobile Repair

Tourism & Hospitality

Bark Lake Leadership and Conference Centre, Castle Antiques, Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve

Young Professional of the Year

Anna Schleifenbaum, Chyna Schell, Dr. Kassie Wright, Victoria Bingham



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A Glorious! production promises hilarious performances

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

At the end of March, Haliburton audiences will have the chance to see why actors performing in *Glorious! The True Story of Florence Foster Jenkins, the Worst Singer in the World* deserve awards in the art of keeping a straight face.

The Highlands Little Theatre show, directed by Jack Brezina and Curtis Eastmure, comes to the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion from March 27 to 30. It tells the story of Florence Foster Jenkins.

"[She] was a real person, who lived in New York in the 1940s, and she loved to sing," said HLT's Amy Brohm. "She was not very good at it. But she loved it. Because she had money and was involved in a lot of committees, they would throw these concerts where she would sing. She loved opera, and she loved making her own costumes, so she would come out in her own costumes in each scene. She did have her core supporters who encouraged her, so this play is sort of about that little group of core people."

The cast of the comedy includes Rita Jackson as Florence Foster Jenkins, and Rita's real-life husband John as her on-stage husband, St. Clair Bayfield, as well.

"Some people who know Rita know that she's actually a very talented singer," said Brohm. "In the play she sings as Florence quite badly but in a very funny way. We've found the perfect person in Rita. She's just so good. There is lots of music that will screech through. Florence sings during it, so there's a lot of music in it ... unfortunately, it's Florence so it's not the greatest singing, but it's funny."

Florence's accompanist is played by Chris Chumbley.

"He plays the character that ... everyone else is always fawning over Florence," said Brohm. "He comes in, you can tell he knows, but he needs the gig,



Rita Jackson, in the lead role as Florence Foster Jenkins in *Glorious! The True Story of Florence Foster Jenkins, the Worst Singer in the World*, disguises her true singing voice for that of Florence Foster Jenkins in the comedy coming to the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at the end of March./Submitted photo Lorne Campbell

right?"

Florence's good friend, Dorothy, is played by Evelyn Manley, her Spanish-speaking maid Maria is played by Ruth Carter and Kate Butler plays Mrs. Verinder-Gedge, who doesn't approve of Florence's singing and is rather grouchy. Bill Gliddon is assisting with musical accompaniment.

"[Rehearsals are] going amazingly well," said Brohm. "The cast of six people, they've just taken on these roles. We rehearse on Mondays and I've come to the point where I don't call them by their real names anymore, I just call them by character names."

Brohm said people will definitely come out of the play having enjoyed the show.

"There's one scene, we've done it several times now," said Brohm. "We did it the other day, not because they needed the practice but just because we like watching it. It's so funny. The actors are actually having a hard time keeping a straight face in it. They're trying to be serious and we're on the floor laughing. Normally when you do a play, you've heard the joke so many times, you're like, whatever, it doesn't register anymore, but we can't help ourselves from laughing."

The quality of the play and the performances has made leaving the house for rehearsals even in the winter fun, said Brohm.

"The other night Chris actually had to walk out of the scene because he was crying laughing," she said. "Because of Ruth, in the one scene she literally steals the show. Every time she does it, even though we know it's coming, we die laughing."

The costumes for the play are being worked on by a team that includes Sue Vorvis, Lauren Forbes and Gill Stephens, and Brohm said there are both feathers and paper mache involved.

Though the play is filled with humour, it shares an important message along the way.

"My favourite quote from Florence is that, 'I'm aware that there are people who say I cannot sing, but there is no one who can say I did not sing,'" said Brohm. "That's kind of the take on it. By the end of it, I feel, you go girl. Living your dreams no matter what life throws at you."

Glorious! The True Story of Florence Foster Jenkins, the Worst Singer in the World takes place at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on March 27, 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.), and on March 30 at 2 p.m. (doors open at 1:30 p.m.) Assigned seating is in place, and tickets are available at Minden Pharmasave or Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton.

Events in Head Lake Park restrict access to other users

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around parking for big events down at Head Lake Park, and we'd like to see some of that addressed first, before we green-light somebody growing an event," Clarke told his colleagues.

Another issue is access to potable water, which is required by rib vendors for cooking and cleaning, and which last year was taken from the Rails End Gallery.

"They were able to access some water through the Rails End Gallery, but that's not a great solution," Clarke said. The committee is recommending the event organizer make its own arrangements for potable water for vendors. The RibFest organizer will also provide more portable toilets and more lighting this year, a report from the committee indicates.

"The other thing we discussed with them is contribution," Clarke said. "At this point in time, the municipality hasn't got a fee system in place for use of Head Lake Park."

Clarke said there was recognition that some events are run by community groups, such as the Rotary Club, which was responsible for the construction of the park's band shell.

"The park is a very valuable asset for this community," Clarke said. "... We still see as, not being a profit centre, that's not what we're looking at, but, what we'd like to see is some money recovered from some of the events there, so that we can improve that facility."

"The other pushback that we've been

"I think we should be charging more than we are charging for all events."

— Councillor Walt McKechnie

getting is the fact that some of the local residents count on the park as their main access to the lake," Clarke continued. "We're very cognizant of the fact that it is a community resource. On one hand, we're trying to drive community events that bring in cottagers and bring in local residents to attend events. On the other hand, we're also trying to provide an environment that locals can use a natural site."

Along with RibFest, there are number of other events that take place in the park that include barricading it from regular use.

Clarke said the committee has asked the organizer to consider giving the municipality a percentage, say 20 per cent, of the gate proceeds as a contribution. Dysart et al is also looking to reduce the use of disposable plastic water bottles, and has asked the organizer to reconsider the sale of such bottles in the future. The township

plans to purchase drinking water stations to be placed in the park.

"Is there a timetable to get a commitment from them in terms of how much they're going to contribute to our community, and in terms of water, the sale of plastic bottles?" asked Councillor John Smith.

"It would be part of our regulations or for use of the park that they abide by our local guidelines, so that's going to go be discussion once it's in place, is kind of the way we're approaching it," Clarke said.

It's unclear as of yet whether water stations would be in place in time for this year's event.

"In terms of the dollar value, it's a difficult thing to call," Clarke said, indicating that the amount taken from a cut of gate proceeds could fluctuate greatly depending on the weather. "So in terms of ... we're throwing it back, we've asked for a higher percentage of the gate revenue ... those numbers too are still up in the air."

Clarke said the plan is to develop a framework that would require a certain percentage of gate proceeds from for-profit events, those proceeds put into a fund for park enhancements. Clarke said the committee also recognized there was also sensitivity around the fact that event organizers are charging an admission fee to enter a publicly owned park.

"I think the park, as you say, is very valuable to our community," said Councillor Walt McKechnie. "I'm a firm believer that in this day and age, you don't get any-

thing for nothing, and I think we should be charging more than we are charging for all events."

McKechnie said the RibFest was a great event that was good for the community, but that much of the money made at the event went out of town. He said he supported putting together a formal fee framework for use of the park for different events, and putting that money into a reserve for park enhancements.

Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy pointed out that some organizations that refer to themselves as non-profit may have a for-profit aspect to them.

"They blew into Haliburton, cut a cheque for 2,500 bucks and took the rest out," Kennedy said of the RibFest group. "So are they are non-profit, or are they a for-profit? It's a question that needs to be answered. If they're a non-profit, that has whole different parameters on what you're going to charge."

Mayor Andrea Roberts said the municipality could ask for a donation again for 2019, with the knowledge that the following year, a formal fee structure would be in place.

"I thought we'd be a little more aggressive or assertive," said Smith, adding the municipality should be taking a percentage of the gate proceeds. "The real money is made on the beer and the ribs and stuff that they're selling."

"They're making big bucks out of this," Smith said.

sports



Grappling with COSSA success

The Red Hawks wrestling team Nick Phippen, from left, Nic Graham, Austin Weller, Aidan Coles, Connie Oh, Charlotte Paton, Logan Heaven and Corin Gervais stand together at the COSSA Championship. The Hawks performed well at the competition, which featured a field of more than 160 athletes from 15 schools in the area, finishing with three golds, three silvers, a bronze and a fourth place finish. See story on page 11./ Submitted by Paul Klose

Hawks eliminate Spartans advancing to COSSA



DARREN LUM
Staff Reporter

There wasn't much competition for the Red Hawks in their Kawartha quarter-final playoffs against the LCVI Spartans a little over a week ago.

The senior boys' hockey team made quick work of the visiting Spartans in what is now their last home game this season at the A.J. LaRue Arena on Tuesday, Feb. 26, shutting them out 5-0 to clinch the best-of-two game playoff series, which started with the Hawks winning 6-0 in Lindsay. The eventual game-winner was scored by Braeden Robinson and was assisted by Benn MacNaull and Nigel Smith. Goals were also scored by Shawn Walker, Alex Little, Lucas Haedicke and Joe Boice. Captain Owen Smith assisted on three of those goals while Smith, Boice and Walker added single assists.

Goalie Carson Sisson earned the shutout with strong supporting cast, which kept the majority of the puck possession and the offensive pressure on the Spartans.

Coach Jason Morissette said the Spartans were missing key players and it factored into the lopsided score, but commended his squad on their attention to team play and adhering to the game plan.

"Every game helps to get ready, to go and do this. When I see them passing, cycling, moving the puck, which they did a lot of. There was a bit of stick-handling [solo] here and there. It's going to happen, but a lot of it still was a lot of team play. Good moving the puck up the ice. The defencemen were passing pucks on to sticks and up they go. Carson played steady. He didn't have a lot of work, but a shutout. Defensive game was solid. It was a shutout so ... a lot of things I saw were still good," he said.

The Red Hawks defenceman Jacob Haedicke against the LCVI Spartans during the second game of the best-of-two Kawartha quarter-finals series on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at the A.J. LaRue Arena. The Hawks won 5-0 to close out the series. Hawks goalie Carson Sisson earned the shutout in the win. The Hawks have since advanced to COSSA where they hope to win it all to advance to the all-provincials./DARREN LUM Staff

Red Hawks wrestlers are OFSAA bound

PAUL KLOSE

Special to the Echo

On Friday, Feb. 22, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School wrestling team competed at the 2019 COSSA Wrestling Championships in Belleville.

More than 160 athletes representing 15 schools from the COSSA region attended the competition. HHSS wrestlers performed very well and finished the day with six athletes qualifying for the OFSAA Championships, however one of the wrestlers will not be able to attend.

In the women's division, Charlotte Paton (64 kilogram) and Connie Oh (57.5 kilogram) went undefeated to capture gold medals. Both women wrestled tactfully and with grit throughout the day to emerge as champions in their respective weight classes.

In the men's division, first-year wrestlers Nick Phippen, Logan Heaven and Corin Gervais stunned their veteran opponents with excellent performances. Phippen narrowly lost his consolation final and earned fourth place at 54 kilogram. Heaven earned the bronze at 57.5 kilogram and Gervais took the silver medal in the 51 kilogram division.

Austin Weller had the best match of his wrestling career during his semi-final. He dominated to advance to



Hawks wrestler Connie Oh performs a half-nelson move on her opponent during the COSSA Wrestling Championship on Feb. 22 in Belleville. Oh finished undefeated to win COSSA gold. She will compete in the all-provincials from March 4 to 6 at TD Place in Ottawa. Submitted by Paul Klose on behalf of the Hawks wrestling team.

the finals, but lost to get the silver medal at 72 kilogram. Teammate Nic Graham (89 kilogram) wrestled well all day, but lost in the final to earn silver as well. Senior wrestler Aidan Coles used his speed and mat sense to win the gold medal. This is Cole's second consecutive year as the COSSA champion at 95 kilogram.

Congratulations to all wrestlers on a great COSSA performance. Hal High will be represented with five Red Hawks at next week's OFSAA Wrestling Championship held at TD Place from March 4 to 6 in Ottawa. Good luck!

Junior boys Red Hawks basketball team season in review

PAUL LONGO


Special to the Echo

The junior boys' Red Hawk basketball team closed out the 2018-2019 season at the COSSA A Championships on Feb. 25 in Belleville. Representing Kawartha West as the No. 1 seed, the Red Hawks squared off against the No. 2 seed North Hastings HS from the Bay of Quinte region in

a do-or-die semi-final. To counter the size advantage lost to North Hastings, the Red Hawks attacked on offence and managed to get to the foul line eight times in the first half. Despite being outrebounded, the Red Hawks held a 20-13 lead at the half. The Red Hawks struggled from the foul line in the second half but would not give up despite being down a point heading into the fourth quarter.

Down a bucket with one minute left in the game, the Red Hawks had a chance to tie the game from the foul line but unfortunately we could not convert. Final score -

North Hastings 39, HHSS 37. It was a heartbreaking way to end a very successful season. Overall, the boys finished the season with 12 wins and eight losses including tournaments. In Kawartha league play, we finished the season with 10 wins and three losses. Coaches Lapierre, Little, Longo, Rieger, and Valickis are extremely proud of your achievements this season boys. You have been an absolute pleasure to coach. Good luck to the players who are moving up to senior ball next season.



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Highlands youth curlers represented the area well at the Peterborough Cashspiel at the Peterborough Curling Club on Feb. 23 in Peterborough. The curlers who competed were Corin Gervais, from left at back, Micah Aldom, Jonah Aldom, Liam Little, Evan Roitz, Lena Haase, Cole Boisvert and Nathaniel Boore. Owen Nicholls, from left, middle row, Abi Lewis, Kara Chumbley, Izzy Hill, Savannah Byers and Jacob Dobson. Hannah Sharp, from left, front row, Taylor Consack, Rachel Aldom, Samuel McMahon, Levi Aldom, Benjamin McMahon, Jocelyn Chumbley, Hendrik Haase and Logan Verstege./Submitted by Cathy Chumbley

County curlers showcase skills in Peterborough

On Saturday, Feb. 23, at the Peterborough Cashspiel at the Peterborough Curling Club, Haliburton County teams dominated during their two eight-end games, both in numbers and results.

In the under-15 category, we entered four teams out of the 10 team field and placed first and second.

The U15 team of skip, Owen Nicholls,

vice, Hendrik Haase, second, Hannah Sharp, and lead, Samuel McMahon finished first while placing second was the U15 team of skip, Nathaniel Boore, vice, Jocelyn Chumbley, second, Cole Boisvert, and lead, Kara Chumbley.

In the under-18 category, our two teams placed second and third out of the eight team field.

The U18 team of skip, Evan Roitz, vice, Liam Little, second, Lena Haase, and lead, Savannah Byers finished second and placing just behind for third was the U18 team of skip, Jacob Dobson, vice, Jonah Aldom, second, Corin Gervais, and lead, Micah Aldom.

The two other U15 entries from Haliburton County included Levi Aldom, Izzy

Hill, Jonah Aldom, and Benjamin McMahon on one rink and the other included Abi Lewis, Taylor Consack, Rachael Aldom, and Logan Vestage.

Congratulations to all of our youth curlers. It looks like a promising future.

Submitted by Jane Boyd

Team members are serving as ambassadors for community

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One area of concern he did acknowl-

edge was the team looking past the Spartans to compete with the tougher teams.

The relatively easy game ensured the team was healthy and somewhat fresh for the semi-finals and finals. Even when the game was all but decided, he liked to see his team's attention towards executing team plays rather than looking for solo efforts to add to personal statistics.

They did that in their first game after.

Since the Hawks beat the Spartans they went on to beat their semi-final opponent, the second place Holy Cross Hurricanes 8-0, but then lost the Kawartha finals against Kawartha's best team, the St Mary Thunder, 2-1 in Cobourg. The loss was close to a repeat of the previous game against the Thunder, who scored two unanswered goals to win 2-1 at the A.J. LaRue in Haliburton. St Mary hosted COSSA on Monday, March 4.

Morissette provided a summary of what happened in the Thunder loss, writing in a text, "We scored first in the first period. In the last minute of the second St. Mary tied the game. We came out at start of the third a bit flat and St. Mary went ahead in the first two minutes. Got back on track but we did not capitalize on our [scoring] chances. Both their goalie and ours were very good. I think the difference when you play a very good team that competes as well as St. Mary is that any time you take a shift off and make mistakes they will jump on that and

[make the team pay]. At COSSA we will need to focus on a complete game from all players and not allow turn overs. The teams now at this level have super quick transitions onto offence when you turn over any puck. Great hockey with a lot of pressure and opportunity. Fun for our school to take part in."

On Monday morning, the Hawks beat Centre Hastings in the COSSA semi-final 2-1 to advance to the championship final Monday afternoon and played the Thunder of St. Mary. The Hawks lost a close one, 1-0. The Thunder will represent the region at the all-provincials in Kincardine from March 19 to 21.

See more details in story in next week's *Echo*.

Following the Spartans series win, Morissette said he appreciated his team for not just their on-ice efforts and success this season, but how they've carried themselves, whether it's volunteering for Heat Bank Haliburton County or just the way they carry themselves as representatives of the community.

"They've been really good citizens for the school. And even refs, who reffing them in other places have said they've been a good team. This team here is really just based on playing skilled hockey," he said.

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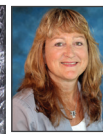
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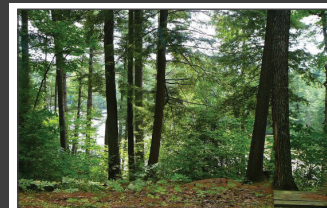
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minor hockey

Midget girls

On Saturday, Feb. 23, the Bancroft IDA/ Park View Dental Midget Girls Jets team travelled to Lakefield to play the Ennismore Eagles. The Eagles took the lead early in the first. The Jets, determined to win, evened the score shortly after. Gabbey Burnett put

pressure on the Eagles' goalie with several quick shots on net, resulting in a scramble in front. Olivia Martin was able to find the puck and jammed it in on a rebound. No goals were scored in the second. Just when it seemed that the game was going to end in a tie with .5 seconds left on the clock, Haley Goulet chased down the puck, won a battle

behind the net, walked it out and passed it to defensive teammate Ryan Rupnow who was waiting in front of the net. Rupnow with a quick wrist shot, got the winning goal of the game. Final result Jets 2, Eagles 1.

On Saturday, March 2, the team travelled to Keene to face the Otonabee Wolverines. The end result was a tie 1-1.

Beth Brownlee skated the puck in behind the opponent's net and tried to tap it in. Jaylin Frost finished it off by tapping the puck in off of one of Brownlee's attempts.

Sunday, March 3, the Jets hosted the West Northumberland Wild on home ice.

Despite all of their hard fought efforts and exchanges from end to end throughout the game, the Jets lost the game 2-1 late in the third period. Olivia Martin scored the lone goal for the Jets and went five hole, with a pass from the corner and out in front from Goulet.

Chloe Burnett has been outstanding and solid as goalie during all games for the Jets.

The Jets have two playdown games remaining. The team will travel to Brighton this Saturday evening to face the Cold Creek Comets and will host the Lindsey Lynx on home ice at the NHCC for their final game at 4:30 p.m. Come out and cheer the team on.

lan and Addison St Cyr.

On Sunday, March 3, the Storm hosted the Flyers in Game 3. The first period started with a goal by Austin Boylan, followed by a goal by the Flyers. With two minutes left Mak Prentice scored, followed by another goal by the Flyers. It was a 2-2 game going into the second. The second period was a goal by Addison St Cyr. And it was 3-2 going into the third. The third was all Frontenac. They scored four goals and the final was 6-3. The JoAnne Sharp-ley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Pee wee A season has come to an end. They fought very hard and played their very best.

By Amber Card

Midget LL

The playoffs took place last weekend for the the Highland Storm Pharnasave LL Midget team. Hard work this season awarded the team an invitation to the A division group. First up was South Muskoka Bears. Muskoka got on the score-board midway through the opening period after some sustained pressure in the Storm zone. Brenden Newhook tied the game working together with Sam Hoenow on a nice passing play. Nate Miscio was rock solid in the period making some exceptional saves. Muskoka regained the lead on a backhand shot in close to Miscio and quickly made it 3-1. Jake Sisson scored on a laser bar down wrist shot from the blue line taking advantage of a two-man power play. The Storm had another opportunity late in the third being given another power play but were unable to score, falling 3-2 in a tight match to the Bears.

The Storm's second game was against rival Huntsville Otters. The Otters scored 30 seconds into the game and continued to

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 - 4. The media
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 - 14. Not just "play"
 - 15. Trailblazing German historian
 - 16. Type of puzzle
 - 17. Plant in the daisy family
 - 18. Not young
 - 20. Dennis is one
 - 22. Revealed
 - 23. But goodie
 - 24. Absurd
 - 28. Commercials
 - 29. University of Dayton
 - 30. Expression of annoyance
 - 31. Stories
 - 33. More critical
 - 37. Of I
 - 38. Time units (abbr.)
 - 39. Arousing intense feeling
 - 41. High schoolers' test
 - 42. Trauma center
 - 43. Astronomical period
 - 44. Fights
 - 46. Italian Lake
 - 49. Rhenium
 - 50. Baseball stat
 - 51. State of consciousness

- 55. Some is dietary
- 58. Stringed instrument
- 59. __ Kidman, actress
- 60. Orator
- 64. Ottoman military commander
- 65. Makes known
- 66. Type of font
- 67. Cool!
- 68. Short musical composition
- 69. Porticos
- 70. Not wet

- CLUES DOWN
- 1. The upper part of a duet
 - 2. Carpenter's tool
 - 3. Outrageous events
 - 4. Procedures
 - 5. Type of party
 - 6. Between northeast and east
 - 7. Sanskrit (abbr.)
 - 8. NJ college __ Hall
 - 9. Sharp mountain ridge
 - 10. Observed something remarkable
 - 11. One who obeys
 - 12. __ de sac
 - 13. Sign language
 - 19. Predecessor to Protestantism

- 21. Right-hand man
- 24. __ anglicus: sweating sickness
- 25. People who proof
- 26. Israeli Defence Forces sergeant
- 27. Remains as is
- 31. Receptacle
- 32. Archers' tool
- 34. Gets up
- 35. Unit of energy
- 36. Explains again
- 40. Pa's partner
- 41. Region bordering the sea
- 45. Type of acid
- 47. Lesotho capital
- 48. Gave a speech
- 52. Irregular as though nibbled away
- 53. Neither
- 54. Copyreads
- 56. Edward __, British composer
- 57. Prepared
- 59. Launched Apollo
- 60. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 61. Protects from weather
- 62. Feline
- 63. Equal

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Pee wee A

On Friday, March 1, the JoAnne Sharp-ley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Pee wee A team travelled to Frontenac to face the Frontenac Flyers in Game 1 of the semi-finals. It was a close game, however the Storm lost 11-3. Goals were scored by Beckam Reynolds and Addison St Cyr.

On Saturday, March 2, they faced the Frontenac Flyers in Game 2. It was a close game up until the third period. The Storm lost 7-2. Goals were scored by Austin Boy-

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MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

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keep the Storm pinned in their own end for the first four minutes. The Storm settled down after that and almost tied the game on a Jake Sisson wrap-around.

The Storm found themselves once again pinned into their own zone at the start of the second period and only stellar goaltending by Miscio kept the locals down by one. The Otters persisted though and were rewarded with two quick goals to jump ahead by three. Huntsville got their fourth late in the third on a sharp angle shot to seal the fate of the Highland Storm. Final score: 5-0 Huntsville in a very impressive game by the Otters.

Game 3 Sunday morning was against the Kia South Muskoka Bears. The Storm had an early power play which almost resulted in Lexi Tait's first goal of the season. The Bears did end up scoring first after some spectacular saves by Miscio. The Bears went up by a couple in the second period on a short-handed goal. The Storm made it interesting in the third on a lovely passing play between Hoenow and Newhook who set up Colin Crowe in front of the net. The Storm did get a few more chances but couldn't find the back of the net and lost 2-1.

By Gord Hoenow

Peewee LL

Our LL Peewee Home Hardware team travelled to Parry Sound to end a great year!

First game was against the Muskoka Bears. The Storm's Alex Hendry #9 started the scoring assisted by #10 Emery Bagshaw and #15 Weston Bowker. The Bears retaliated with two goals. Nathan Harrison (#12) ended the first period with a goal assisted by #19 Wyatt Raposo and #11 Mikayla Sisson. Again Storm started the scoring in the second with #15 finding the net assisted by #9 and #21 Spencer Bowker. The Bears scored two more taking the lead going into the third. The Storm played a strong last period with #12 scoring assisted again by #19 and #11. The game ended 4-4 and player of the game was #15 Weston Bowker!

The second game was Storm on Storm! These two teams battled hard and the first period ended with neither team scoring. The Canadian Tire team scored three goals in the second. In the third, the Home Hardware team responded with #17 Daniel Stephen scoring two unassisted goals. Player of the game was awarded to #21 Spencer Bowker!

The last game of the year was against Huntsville. The Otters started the game with a quick goal and Storms #15

responded with a goal assisted by #9. The Otters found the Storm's net with another three goals but the Storm wasn't done and #9 scored us another point assisted by #19 and #15. Player of this game was given to #7 Adam Davis.

Coach James Raposo gave these kids a great hockey year ... thanks from the players and parents.

By Marita Bagshaw

Novice

The Haliburton TimberMart/Haliburton Hockey Haven Sports Camp Novice Reps played their first two semi-final games against the Sturgeon Lake Thunder on the weekend.

Saturday, the teams battled it out in Minden in an intense, high-paced match. The Thunder allowed few shooting opportunities for the Storm, but stole two goals resulting in a 2-0 loss for the Storm. Goalie Carter Braun played an incredible game.

On Sunday, the Novices travelled to Fenelon Falls. Again, the teams both demonstrated ferocity and the desire to win with speed and aggressive checking. The Thunder took two goals in the second period before Luke Gruppe placed one in for the Storm, assisted by Evan Perrott, and Easton Burk. The Thunder took two more goals in the third. Although the Storm lost the game, 4-1, the entire team played extraordinarily well and should be proud of their effort.

To see the Novices in action against the Sturgeon Lake Thunder, come cheer on the Storm this Thursday at 6 p.m. in Haliburton.

By Sara Gruppe

Midget

The Highland Storm Midgets are up 2-0 in the semi-final series against the Bancroft Jets. It began Saturday, March 2 in Bancroft and the Storm battled for the 5-4 win.

It was a slow start for the Storm team, allowing the Jets to get on the scoreboard. Minutes later, Dollo fed Gilbert and he pushed hard with enormous drive and top cornered the tying goal. Shortly after, the Storm capitalized on a power play. Give and go action led to Walker's stick and he patiently waited to find the opening and made it a

2-1 game. The momentum picked up in the second period, however it was the Jets that got a lucky break and tied it up. The Storm exploded into action and answered back with two goals. Haedicke rush in and fought for puck control behind the net. He snapped a pass to Smith waiting in front to capture the goal. Seconds later, Haedicke stole the puck for a breakaway and backhanded past the goalie, making it a 4-2 game.

End to end action continued, late in the second, the Jets narrowed it to 4-3, ending the second period. The third period was intense, both teams worked tremendously hard. Late in the period, the Jets pulled their goalie and Haedicke scored the empty-netter, making it 5-3. The Jets managed to keep the pressure on and closed the gap to 5-4 with just seconds left in the game.

The next day, the head to head action was played in Haliburton and the Storm Midgets came from behind to win 5-4. The Storm team warmed up in the first period, letting the Jets take the lead. Late in the first, Smith headed into the Jets' end and snapped in the first goal, unassisted. The second period was tough for the Storm team as the Jets dominated and fired in two quick goals, a 3-1 game. Later, the Storm took advantage of a power play, Gilbert scored, with help from Walker and Clements, ending the period 3-2 for the Jets. The Jets made it 4-2 early in the third, during a three-on-five power play. It was then the Storm who turned up the heat, with determination and drive. The Storm fought hard for puck control. Gilbert was in the right place to snap in a pass from Smith and made it a 4-3 game, halfway through the third period. A few minutes later, the Storm continued to pressure the Jets. Give and go action led to Smith tying things up, helped by MacNaull and Walker. The Storm still in gear, Walker tipped a pass to Haedicke, he pushed for the breakaway and expertly top cornered the go-ahead goal. It was intense action the last couple of minutes while the Storm killed off a penalty to captured the 5-4 win.

By Suzanne Haedicke

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NOTICE (Applicant – STECHNICKI)

IN THE MATTER OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT* AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE ORIGINAL SHORE ROAD ALLOWANCE ALONG THE SHORE OF ESSON LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

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Part of Lot 12, Concession 15, designated as Road Allowance on Crown Land survey attached to GL1807, Township of Glamorgan, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on the enclosed Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Greg Bishop Surveying and Consulting Ltd., dated September 25, 2018,

SECONDLY

Part of the original Shore Road Allowance in Front of Lot 12, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 2 and 3 a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Greg Bishop Surveying and Consulting Ltd., dated September 25, 2018. (*Part 3 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East*).

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, Solicitor or Agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 9th day of April, 2019.

ROBYN ROGERS
CLERK
Box 295, 2249 Loop Road
WILBERFORCE, ON K0L 3C0

NOTICE (Applicant – ST. JOHN)

IN THE MATTER OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT* AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL SHORE ROAD ALLOWANCE AND ROAD ALLOWANCE, ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

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Part of Lot 10, Designated as Road Allowance on Crown Land surveys attached to H11479, H14671 and H17763, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 2 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Greg Bishop, O.L.S., dated July 12, 2018,

SECONDLY

Part of the original Shore Road Allowance in Front of Lot 10, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 3 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Greg Bishop, O.L.S., dated July 12, 2018.

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DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 5th day of March, 2019.

ROBYN ROGERS
CLERK
Box 295, 2249 Loop Road
WILBERFORCE, ON K0L 3C0

minor hockey

from page 15

Atom 2 LL

With a much anticipated tournament on our hands, the LL Atom #2 TD Canada Trust took a road trip to Gravenhurst. With our first game TD Canada Trust hosted the Almaguin Ice Devils.

During the first period Ethan Rowe was able to open the scoring with a nice pass from behind the net from Logan Reid directly to Tavia Harris. Tavia chipped the puck up to Ethan with which he found the back of the net.

As the second period opened up, Carson Jones battled the puck up the boards to find Ethan Rowe to make a nice pass across the ice to Logan Reid to sink the puck top shelf.

With Brian Robichaud showing his scrambling skills in net to keep the score at a minimum, Logan Reid was able to break the play at centre ice and defeat both defence and score unassisted.

During the second period, Ethan Rowe broke away and stuck another beautiful top shelf goal unassisted. Minutes later the passing skills of Rowe and Reid allowed Reid to make a beauty pass the Rowe to deke out the goalie for Rowe's very first hat-trick of the season. Final score: 5-3. MVP awarded to Brian Robichaud.

On our second game, South Muskoka Middaugh hosted the TD Canada Trust. With an awesome display of determination from both teams Middaugh was able to open up the scoring. But with the duo of Reid and Rowe, Rowe was able to make a wicked pass across ice to an open Reid to sink the puck right through the glove side. Final score: 4-1. MVP awarded to Logan Reid.

For TD's final game and one of the best games of the season against our very own

G.J. Burtch Highland Storm. During the first period Zach Lowe was proving he was a force to reckon with and blocking and scrambling for the puck. During the second period Reid broke away in our end to make a beautiful pass up to Kamauhl Cassey Russell which resulted in a wicked slapshot to score glove side.

During the third period with both Medlar and Harris on defence keeping the puck in Kamauhl was able to set up Rowe to find the back of the net. But in the end our TD's lost to our own G.J. Burtch: 9-2. MVP awarded to Tavia Harris.

Hockey hall of fame ambassador of the season awarded to Logan Reid.

Great season and can't wait for our next.

By Chris McMartin

Atom LL

This past weekend the GJ Burtch LL Atoms travelled to Gravenhurst to compete in the MPS-LL championship weekend. The Storm's play throughout the year placed them at the top of the Atom B pool.

First game the Storm squared off in a rematch from last weekend against the Wes Finch Atoms from South Muskoka. The Storm would open the scoring less than a minute in when Taylor Mulock drove the net and her resulting rebound landed in front of Isaac Borgdorff who made no mistakes and beat the South Muskoka goalie. Although the Storm would give up a goal halfway through the period, a minute later Eric Mueller deked their goalie and took the lead 2-1. Assisted by Jacob Davis. A tight checking second period saw no goals but a ton of excitement. South Muskoka would tie the game halfway through the third, Davis was having none of that. Thirty seconds later he stripped the puck, streaked toward the net and buried the puck to take the lead. MVP Eric Mueller, final 3-2 Storm.

Second game the Storm would face the Almaguin Ice Devils. Isaac Borgdorff broke away from the Almaguin defence and got the Storm on the board six minutes into the first. The Storm seemed to find their stride in the second period. Jacob Mantle got the ball rolling with an electrifying end to end run, goal unassisted. Then Eric Mueller set up Olivia Gruppe. Then Sadie Evan-Fockler assisted Mantle's second of the game. Almaguin would not roll over getting the game to within one goal with six minutes remaining. Layne Robinson scored from Taylor Mulock and Borgdorff. Eighteen seconds later Robinson scores again this time Jacob Davis and Mulock assisted. His very next shift Robinson scored again completing the natural hat-trick in two minutes and 25 seconds. Assist to Gruppe and Davis. Davis would get a goal of his own a minute later from Mulock and Mueller. MVP Layne Robinson final 8-3

The Storm's final round robin game was against their hometown rivals, the Storm's TD Atoms. Hometown bragging rights on the line, both Storm teams battled extremely hard throughout the first. Eric Mueller was able to open the scoring with 51 seconds left in the first, assist to Taylor Mulock. As the game wore on the Burtch Atoms began to find the back of the TD net. Mantle had two unassisted rushes up the ice through the TD defence and into the net. Mulock got her first of the game assisted by Isaac Borgdorff and Olivia Gruppe.

In the third it became evident how much the Burtch team wanted this win, particularly Mueller. He scored one, 53 seconds into the third, assists to Gruppe and Borgdorff. TD pushed back with a goal of their own, however so did Mueller scoring on an unassisted breakaway completing his hat-trick. Forty-five seconds later Mantle made a nice pass up to Mueller who

buried his fourth of the game. All of Jacob Davis's hard work throughout the game paid off when Robinson fed him a sweet pass and he got his first of the game. Mantle would complete his hat-trick in the third on another unassisted end to end skate. MVP Olivia Gruppe, 9-2 final.

At the conclusion of round robin the Storm found themselves in first place in the B pool and facing the Huntsville McDonald's Atoms in the B final. Both teams traded chances, the Storm's goalie Jacob Lloyd stood his ground and kept his team in the hunt. It wasn't until near the end of the second Jacob Davis passed it up to Jacob Mantle who made a couple of quick moves before scoring on the back hand. Layne Robinson would score three minutes into the third from Olivia Gruppe. As the third wore on it became evident that while the Storm's bench was only eight skaters deep, Huntsville's was 15. Lloyd made some incredible saves as Huntsville mounted a comeback. Some with his toe, others his glove, one with the butt end of his stick. Inevitably after an unfortunate collision that took some Storm players out of the play, Huntsville was able to tie the game up at two. The first overtime three-on-three settled nothing. Robinson was hauled down on a breakaway, but was denied on the penalty shot. The second overtime two-on-two. The Storm had a terrific chance two minutes into the fifth period. Huntsville's goalie made a glove save and passed the puck up the ice resulting in the game winning goal. Although the Storm lost in the final they should be proud of their effort and the growth from the beginning for of the year. MVP Jacob Lloyd, final 3-2 Huntsville.

Next up the team travels to Cambridge to compete in the Ayr hockey challenge on March 22-24.

By Jamie Lloyd

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Students win game with OPP

Top left, the OPP and the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School select hockey teams squared off for bragging rights during the annual outreach game on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at the A.J. LaRue Arena. Top right, the OPP hockey team selects goalie Ron Hall makes a save. Left, teams come together for a group photo following the game. The JDHES select team won 13-8 with their peers watching from the stands. The game is part of the OPP's effort to interact with young people in a positive way. An outreach game with area students will also be held on March 6 at 1 p.m. at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden and on March 8 at 2 p.m. at the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena in Wilberforce. /DARREN LUM Staff.

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When: Tuesday, March 5, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Legion Hall
All Welcome, No Charge
Free-Will donations to support: Volunteer Dental Outreach for Haliburton County

St. Paul's Anglican Church - Shrove Tuesday
When: Tuesday, March 5, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Where: 19 Invergordon Ave, Minden
Pancakes and sausages, dessert and coffee or tea
By donation

"Egg-xplosive" Family Storytime
When: Monday, March 11, 10:10 a.m.
Where: Minden library branch, HCPL.
When: Tuesday, March 12, 10:10 a.m.
Where: Dysart library branch, HCPL.
Drop-in for fun stories, songs, rhymes, and other activities.

How to Protest Inaction on Climate Change
When: March 12, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton
What: Environment Haliburton! presents: How to protest inaction on climate change
Admission by donation. For more info contact Eric Lilius 705-754-9873

"Magical Unicorn" Family Storytime
When: Wednesday, March 13, 10:10 a.m.
Where: Minden library branch, HCPL.
When: Thursday, March 14, 10:10 a.m.
Where: Dysart library branch, HCPL.
Drop-in for fun stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance Fundraiser
When: Saturday, March 16, 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dinner at 6 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Legion
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Activity Fair to connect volunteers with opportunities

community news

wilberforce

Hilda Clark
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The village was busy this past weekend, especially Saturday when the annual men's hockey tournament hit the arena adding to dozens of snowmobilers passing through and stopping for food and fuel. Good to have some sunny weather to offset the many stormy days and thankful for snowy trails.

The committee that brings you the annual Penny Raffle in July and Easter Saturday's all-day pancake breakfast/lunch invites you to the Wilberforce Activity Fair. It's this coming Saturday, March 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre. It's free.

There will be music by Northern Jam. The Community Cooks will be providing free chili and a bun. And most important, you will have an opportunity to meet people who are volunteers with various community groups. Often people are willing to help out in the village but are not aware of what groups might need a volunteer. You will find some of them there.

If you are with an organization that needs volun-

teers, you can still arrange to have a table at this Activity Fair. Call now to Kathy Rogers at 705-448-1285 or skr-ogers1995@gmail.com. Join the action. Drop by if only to thank those already volunteering or for the music. And a bit of chili sounds tasty too.

The toonie lunch at St. Margaret's Church last Tuesday with three kinds of soup and Leo's homemade bread was a popular place. Desserts were good too. Next lunch is the last Tuesday in March. Thanks to all who gave generously for their lunch. It gave the outreach fund a great boost.

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild members have this year's quilt off the frames. Interesting patterned blocks were donated by the North Hastings Quilters group, Maureen O'Hara assembled them and Linda Cameron worked creatively on the borders and backing. The quilt will be raffled as a fundraiser for activities at the Red Cross Outpost Historic House. Thanks to volunteers for again giving their community service.

Not sure how many slept in their cars here last Friday evening. What a different way to draw attention to housing issues that many are experiencing.

At the county Aging Well Committee Meeting last Friday a very enlightening presentation was given on the housing situation in Haliburton County and City of Kawartha Lakes by Hope Lee who is the manager of housing services for the area.

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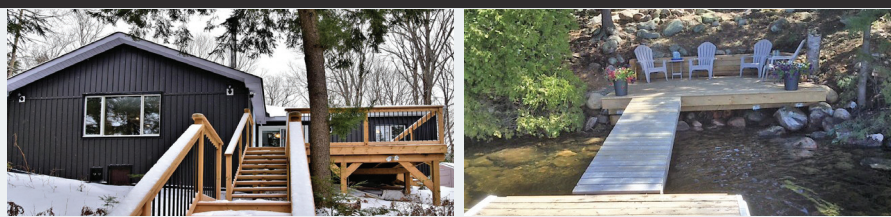
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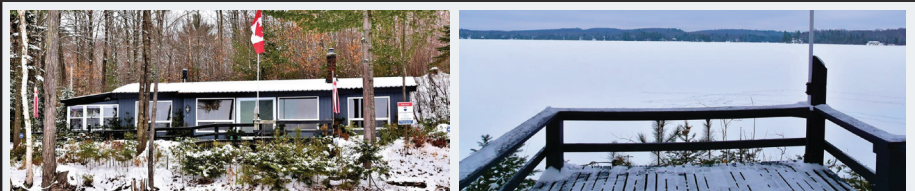
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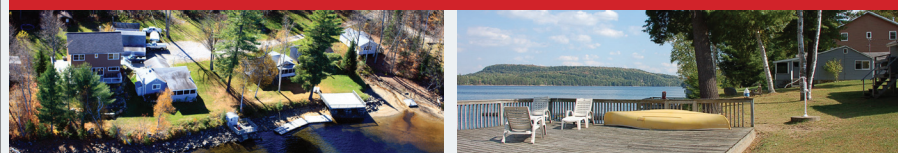


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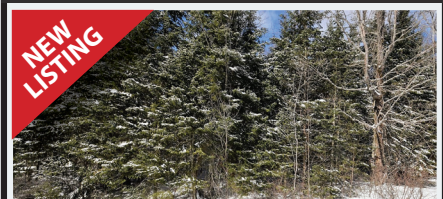
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